

SYSTEM, METHOD, AND COMPUTER PROGRAM PRODUCT  
FOR SMOOTHING

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

5           A system and method for a hybrid, variational, user-  
controlled, 3D mesh smoothing for orphaned shell meshes.  
The smoothing model is based on a variational combination  
of energy and equi-potential minimization theories. A  
variety of smoothing techniques for predicting a new  
10       location for the node-to-smooth are employed. Each node is  
moved according to a specific smoothing algorithm so as to  
keep element included angles, skew and distortion to a  
minimum. The variational smoother selection logic is based  
on nodal valency and element connectivity pattern of the  
15       node to smooth. Results show its consistency with both  
quadrilateral and quad-dominant meshes with a significant  
gain over conventional Laplacian schemes in terms of mesh  
quality, stability, user control and flexibility.